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FARMING



corn is one of the
many farm crops we
have in PA

MAJOR FARM CROPS AND MUSHROOMS IN PA.....

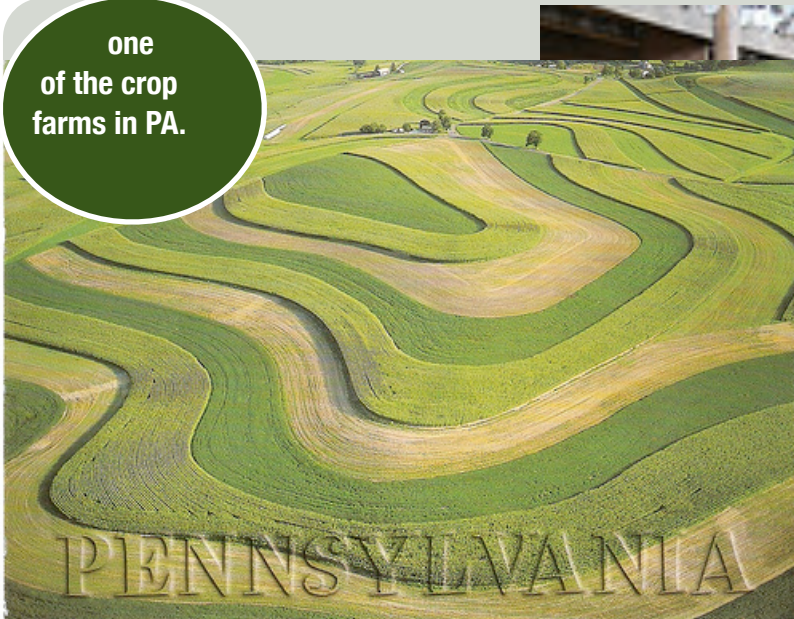
In the Pennsylvania area there are many farm crops and mushrooms. You can find mushrooms all over in many different shapes, sizes and weird colors, some of the names are Mycenae lex-coeli, lawn, fairytale, porcini, magic, and fresh oyster. Mushrooms are the biggest cash crop in Pennsylvania. Although

there are many different mushrooms there are also many different farm crops as well some examples are wheat, corn, rye, apples and pears. There are way over ten different varieties of farm crops in Pennsylvania.



GETTING STARTED

one
of the crop
farms in PA.



one
of the many
mushroom farms in PA.



HOW DID THEY GET STARTED.....

There are many farms that got started in the Pa area. In the 1700's the Delaware Valley and the Susquehanna Valley were the largest exporter of flour and wheat in the British colonies.

Out of the many farms that got started here in Pennsylvania a few of the well known ones are Lehman Farms, Fitz Farms and Kennett Square(mushroom farm). Along with the many farms that got started in the PA area there are also many places that you can go and buy fresh mushrooms along with fresh crops, which is at the farmers markets.

In 1765 was the first year where all the farmers could get together and show and sell there produce, they could have this gathering twice a year. This gathering is what they called the fair.



farmers market

CROPS



CONDITIONS ON CROP FARMS.....

Many crops can be grown in widely diverse environments. Growers must be careful, however, to choose varieties adapted to their particular soils and climates. Most of the common vegetables and species used for crop farming were developed in temperate regions, but some have also been adapted to the Tropics.

For other crops you need to have loosened soil and the soil has to be very rich, you will have to have the crops in the sun with lots of water.

